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In re Application of: Wilt et al.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION**

With reference to the Office Action mailed January 28, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.111 in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

In the Action, the Office has imposed a restriction between claim groups I (claims 1-18) and II (claims 19-23). The Applicants request reconsideration of the restriction between claim groups I-II because these claims would be more appropriately searched and examined together. Applicants therefore request that claims 1-23 remain in the application in view of the following response.

The Office alleges that restriction is proper because the claim groups are distinct and have separate classifications. (Action at ¶ 3.)

As stated in MPEP § 808.02,

Where the related inventions as claimed are shown to be distinct under the criteria of MPEP § 806.05(c) - § 806.05(i), the examiner, in order to establish reasons for insisting upon restriction, must show by appropriate explanation one of the following: (A) Separate classification thereof: ... (B) A separate status in the art when they are classifiable together: ... (C) A different field of search: .... (Emphasis added.)